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GENERAL AND REVENUE SECRETARIAT.

Serial Nos. 1 – 11

Major **Part B. for** July 1892

SUBJECT

Reduction of the Dram measure and the introduction of the new-Attack Scheme in the C & M Station of Bangalore

From The Dy: Comm^r Bangalore city

Dy. No. 9580/877 No. 95-9 of 14·3·88

Submits for orders a proposal for reducing the capacity of the Dram Measure now in use, with recommendation for raising the establishment increasing present income of Contractors and retail-dealers & granting them wastage in the city and Station of Bangalore.

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To The Resident in Mysore

No 2 rel 16·4·88.

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measure from 1600 to 1500 Minims and asks permission to introduce the measure to the Civil and Military Station of Bangalore.

From the Asst to the Resident

No 2078/2238 of 22.6.88.

Communicates the Sanction of the Resident to the introduction into the Civil and Military Station of the Changes Consequent on the arrack dram measures being reduced from 1600 to 1500 minims etc.

To. The Resident in Mysore

No 7 of 26.6.88.

Replies the letter regarding Changes in Consequence of the proposed reduction of the arrack dram.

D'O to the Resident in Mysore.

of 8.8.88.

Reply of Memorandum regarding license fee and Surcharge in city and Station of Bangalore.

From. The Asst to the Resident in Mysore

No 3653/2238 of 31.10.88.

The proposed alteration in the Abkari Revenue of the Civil & Station Bangalore.

To The Resident in Mysore

No 205 of 5.12.88.

Accepts the proposal to alter the wholesale price of arrack in the Civil & Station of Bangalore from Rs 4.12.0 to Rs 4.7.10.

From The Asst to the Resident in Mysore

No 1038/2238 of 26.3.89.

Intimates the Govt of India Sanction as an experimental measures to the changes proposed to be introduced the Abkary System of the Civil & Station Bangalore

and requests to be informed when would it be able to arrange for giving effect to the revised Scheme.

9. From The Excise Commr in Mysore.
No. 1395/65 of 3·6·92.

Requests certain papers may be sent for reference as they are needed to dispose of certain claims put forward by the late Arrack Contrac in Connection with the revision of rates effected when the Dram Cup was reduced from 4 8 6 5 1 dr per gallon.

10 To The Excise Commr in Mysore.
No. 5573/518 of 28·6·92.

Forwards the papers requesting to be returned after taking Copies of them.

11. From. The Excise Commr in Mysore.
No. 139 of 5·7·92.

Returns the file of Correspondence received regarding one per cent wastage on issues of Arrack to the Cundh Station Claimed by the late arrack Contractors Messrs C. Papannah & Co.

Indexed
H. Narasimha Murthi Rao
Cl. A.

Countersigned
B. Nagaraja Rao
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From

The Deputy Commissioner
Bangalore District

To

The Chief Secretary to the Dewan
of Mysore.

Dated 14th March 88

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(1)

No. 959 Dy Commissioners Office
Bangalore District
14th March 1888

To.

The Chief Secretary
to the Dewan of Myso

Sir

I have the honor to
submit herewith in accordance with
the directions of the Dewan a
memo by Mr. Mc Donnell
giving the details of a proposa
to reduce the capacity of the
dram measure now used in
Retail shops -

The Imperial gallon

ontains 160 ounces - At present
:8 drams of arrack go to one
gallon, therefore each dram con-
tains 3 oz: 2 drams 40 minims
Apothecarys' measure). We pro-
pose to reduce this dram by
oo minims - This will give
7 drams to the gallon instead
7 48 - As a rule the general
Public consume half a dram
t a time and it is rarely
hat a full dram is drunk off
t once either in the Maidan
r Malnad Taluks - This dram
: sold at one anna eight pies
nd it is proposed to continue
hat price. The rate thus re-
alized in the retail shops will
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in the quantity will make appreciable difference to the consumer - In the case of Opium and Ganja we reduced the quantity instead of directly raising the price and the result was certainly beneficial to the Revenue and very probably to the consumer -

3. There will be naturally at first a falling off in the amount of liquor issued from the Distillery but it is contended by the Department that in rural Districts especially watering the liquor illicit distillation and false measures are being carried on to a great extent. In one single trip through two Districts Mr. Mc Donnell detected 65 cases of breach of Excise Laws. The extra detective and supervising

Establishment now provided for will be able to check in a great measure these frauds on the public as well as Government and I anticipate the falling off of issues above noted will be more than compensated by this.

4. Out of the five annas thus gained it is proposed to credit Government with two annas for loss entailed in License Fees and one anna for Extra Establishment. The balance two annas will be retained by the Contractors to meet extra charges in working the new scheme.

Note in Dist. Supt. Off. 012-2 dtd. 20.

5. Owing to the heavy License fees and charges for excess sales in the Station and City of Bangalore the difference which will remain between the present ccss and the compensation to be paid to the Board leaves

Rs. 7215 or only about 6 annas a gallon - Of this sum it is proposed to utilize half an anna for cost of Establishment in the City and Civil and Military Station which tract now bears a very small proportion of these charges when compared with the rest of the Province and the amount of Revenue realized - Vide appendix D for incidence of cost of establishment -

6- The Contractors claim and they seem entitled to some "wastage" for issues to the City and Station of Bangalore - This would involve a payment of Rs: 2533/ in the City and 5057/Rs in the Station by Government, if the rate of 2% allowed for Districts is granted for the City and Station also - As a matter of fact it is

not

not actually so high. The Special Assistant Commissioner advocates one per cent being allowed for this "wastage" and the Government be recouped for this charge by recovering from the City and Station Retail Vendors, the odd eight pies allowed for retail vend. As they will be relieved of the payment of "License fees" and the surcharge on "Excess sales" which will hereafter fall on the consumer the Retail dealers will not therefore feel this nominal deduction -

7. To equalize the Distric rates with those for the City and Station of Bangalore, it is propos to utilize the odd eight pies the in the rates to pay for additiona Establishments in the Districts - C Retail Vendors having been relieved lately of the burden of the "Excess

sales. Cess and now from the pay-
ment of "License Fees" also. will
virtually gain one annas and four
pies by the present proposal after
the deduction of eight pies here
advocated, so that even here there
will be no grounds for complaint.
It may be here added that the
heavy cesses realized from the re-
tail Vendors have certainly been a
fruitful source of all the mal
practices committed, especially in
the City and Station where 3. 8
and 4. 2 pies, respectively, are taken
back as license fees and as a
surcharge on "Excess sales." What
Government gave for a specific
purpose with one hand to secure
honest Vending, it thus took back
with the other and defeated its ob-
ject. The nine annas allowed for
retail Vend of Spirits throughout
the Province will afford hereafter a

very good income to the Retail dealer as it will be free of any cess whatever and obviate many evils which the smallness of the remuneration now secured naturally entails -

8. The financial results of the foregoing proposals are detailed by the Special Assistant Commissioner in the appendix marked (a) attached to his memo and are briefly summed up below: —

The Contractors will get Rs: 30,069-

Government will get compensation for license fees and Excess sales - - - - - - 50,215-

— Do — for additional Establishments - - 21,618-

Total Rupees 101,902-

9. An abstract schedule of the present and proposed staff marked B is appended - The present staff of Supervisors and

Seators

Sectors and the Detective Agency employed is quite insufficient. I propose that Mr. McDonnell be set free to go out into the — District more than hitherto. He has just returned from a tour through the Malnad and his report to me shews that many evils — exist which more vigorous supervision will diminish. In addition to the heavy travelling he will have to be responsible for the efficient working of the Contract on which so much depends and for the accuracy of the accounts. It was my object in recommending him to be graded as an Assistant Commissioner to have an Officer of some status whom I could hold responsible for the efficiency of the Department. Under these circumstances I would suggest that his pay be fixed at Rs: 300/- rising by annual increments of

a maximum of Rs: 500/- and that he should draw ——— batta when out in the Districts in accordance with the scale of Revenue Assistant Commissioners, in addition to the allowance of Rupees 60/- now drawn by him as he will continue to have charge of the Distillery and supervise the work of Supervisors and Testers in the City and Station also when at Head Quarters which will still be his most important charge - The grounds for the other changes are mentioned at length in the Schedule It may be said that these proposals are raising the cost of the Department too high and rapidly, but the last increase was paid for by the Contractors who certainly have not been losers by it and this one will be paid for by the Public who will also be

gainers so I trust Government will be able to sanction them -

10. About 1000 measures will have to be newly made and placed in the hands of Retail dealers, so early orders are solicited. I have been in correspondence with the Deputy Commissioners of Kodur and Shimoga - The former saw no objection to the proposal, and the latter has asked me for more information - I will submit his opinion, as soon as received -

I have the honor to be

Sir,

Your most obedient servant

A R Mackenzie

Deputy Commissioner and Officer incharge of the Central Excise Arrangements.

Mest.

Memo: by the Special Assistant Commissioner to recoup the Contractors for certain exceptional losses by a revision of the existing rates in such a manner as will not act prejudicially on the sales, and so entail loss on Government.

Rise in price of materials

1.- In para 7 of the Dewan's Memorandum, dated 3rd February 1887, the price given for Jaggory is one Rupee per Maund. The price since May last has steadily risen, and the quotations varied from Rupees 1/4/- to 1/8/- per Maund, though at the early part of the year, when the new Jaggory came into the market, the purchase of good Cane Jaggory was made for as low a price as 13 annas a Maund. Having just commenced the Contract, the outlay involved therein the heavy deposit to be made to Government as security and other large demands on the Contractors' purse absorbed all the capital at their command, and they did not then perceive that the abnormally high prices herein quoted would have prevailed, and deferred putting in adequate stock on borrowed capital. Even if they had perceived such a contingency, they would have required a lakh of Rupees in hard cash to put in the required stock at the minimum rates. It may be also added that even if they had the capital, it was a question if the Local Markets would have stood the strain of such a large demand, and have fully met their requirements between the minimum quotation of 13 annas and the rate of one Rupee allowed in the Rates. The old Contractors ceased purchasing stock and the new Contractors had therefore but a small gunta to fall back on from this source. The Contractors have thus been obliged to import Jaggory from Vellore and molasses from Nellikuppam at enhanced rates much over those provided for in the Rates, which were calculated for ordinary year

Old and new apparatus &c

2.- The Contractors have purchased a large English still and an Engine which cost from 9 to 10 thousand Rupees, and to do away with the numerous vats of small capacity, they have sunk large stone cisterns, capable of holding 6 to 10 gallons

of wash. Though some portion of the materials (stores) were given by Government still the cost of the fixing up of the same fell on the Contractors. The old Apparatus of the late Contractors have been also purchased, repaired and re-set on improved lines at heavy expense to the new Contractors.

Importation of liquor & future

3. Owing to the heavy rates prevailing in Mysore for the materials, the Contractors have imported 42,000 gallons of liquor from Her Majesty's Territories, and still further importations will have to be made till new Jaggary comes in. The Contractors were able to secure the liquor from the Madras Presidency much cheaper than they could make it in Mysore, as the manufacturers there work the Distilleries in conjunction with Sugar Factories or in contract with cultivators of Sugar Cane. The Contractors here will probably take advantage of this plan eventually. They will then work as favorably as the Distillers working on a large scale in the Madras Presidency do now. The new Jaggary crop will, it is anticipated, be a very favorable one, but if ever so favorable, the large expenditure involved in commencing operations will for some time affect the profits of the Contractors, and the sooner they can arrange with the cultivators in Mysore, as the Contractors in Madras do, the better. It would be very advisable that they should invite Tenders for materials.

Weakness of Govt: supervising agency

4. The Contractors have about sixty wholesale Depôts, and there are about 900 Retail Shops attached thereto. To supervise these, there is but one Tester for a whole District except in Bangalore and Kolar where there is an additional Assistant Tester, and there is only one Supervisor for every two Districts. In the Bangalore Town and Cantonment, the two Testers and the Special Assistant Commissioner supervise the work. From January to November of the current year, forty cases were placed before the Magistrates. The Tester visiting the Shops in the morning followed by the Special Assistant Commissioner a few hours after in the afternoon liquor was found

found diluted and leaking casks (false measures) were used as genuine. If with such a strong staff at Head Quarters, such heavy work as indicated above has to be coped with it can be readily conjectured how little effect the visits of a Tester over such a large area as an entire District and a Superior over two Districts must have in effectually supervising and controlling the Shops therein (Arrack, Opium and Drugs). The very few visits too they can make with intervals of months together between one visit and another, and the few cases they occasionally come across must have but a nominal deterrent effect in stamping out illicit practices and enforcing the Rules of Government. This must be to the serious loss of Government and the Contractors. The money value represented thereby cannot however be computed, but there is no doubt it must be a very heavy sum and the Contractors feel it to be so. It will be seen from the annexed statement marked D that the percentage of the cost of Establishments borne by the City & Station of Bangalore compared with the rest of the Province at present is as 5 to 95 and as proposed will be as 10.5 to 89.5. Although the percentage proposed for the City and Station will be double that of the present, yet the actual percentage on the consumption should be as 39.8 in the City and Station to 60.2 for the rest of the Province. The disparity appears to be still more striking when the cost is struck on the Revenue realized in both Tracts for the Establishment maintained for the supervision of this work. The figures in this case would be as 40 per cent for the City and Station against 60 for the rest of the Province. It will thus be seen that the burden of the incidence of the cost of Establishment is borne by the rest of the Province, and the City and Station benefit still further by the Provincial Establishments protecting the Revenue of the latter to a great extent by the cordon of sentinels maintained in the out-lying Districts. The proposed increase to the Station staff is therefore as absolutely needed as

as the interests at stake practically require this not only when compared with the Staff employed for the rest of the Province but to efficiently protect its own Revenue.

Wastage-City & Station of Rawalpindi } 5. The Contractors were allowed nothing for "wastage" for the town and cantonment and they feel this a very great hardship. This loss from "wastage" has to be made up from the rate allowed for the whole Province where large stocks have to be kept at Depôts and liquor carried very long distances. The Contractors curtail the rate of wastage allowed, and many serious malpractices are resorted to at the District Depôts in consequence by the Wholesale Vendors. This cannot be permitted any longer. It is but just and fair therefore that as "wastage" does actually occur in the City and Station Depôts, the Contractors should be allowed "wastage" therefor. One per cent. has been allowed in this scheme, which is rather over the actual wastage incurred at the two Depôts.

Reduction of Retail measures proposed to meet the above charges } 6. To enable the Contractors during the ensuing four years of the Contract to recoup themselves for the heavy outlay summarized above, to meet the rise in the price of materials in one of the said years, which, it is anticipated, will be a very bad season, and to provide better supervision over both Wholesale and Retail vend, the Special Assistant Commissioner has, with the Contractors' concurrence and the Deputy Commissioners approval, framed a revision of existing rates to meet the same, and he proposes to do so in such a manner as will not in any way affect the sale to the prejudice of either the Contractors or Government.

How the reduction is to be effected practically — } 7. The Imperial gallon contains 160 ounces (Apothecary's measure) and the gallon now contains forty-eight drams. Each dram thus contains in Apothecary's measure three ounces two drams, and forty minims i.e. 1600 min

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The capacity of the brack dram now used is ve
large and as a matter of fact, the purchasers of
a dram of liquor at a time are the exception.
This will be readily seen if a dram of liquor
is placed in an ordinary tumbler. The most
popular purchases run from 1/2 to 3/4 dram, and
even such "pegs" or "tots" are very large ones. As the
are but three measures in the shop, the "tots" or "pegs"
cannot be conveniently lessened. It is therefore
proposed to reduce the capacity of the cups by 6¼ %
ie 100 minims for the full dram cup, 50 minim
for the half dram cup and 25 minims for the ¼
dram cup. The quantity thus reduced is so small
that it will make no appreciable difference and
will be hardly detected by the consumer. The differe
however that this small quantity represents is
equivalent to five annas per gallon. Retaining
the rate per dram at one anna and eight pies,
and shortening the dram by 100 minims 51 dram
will thus yield to make a gallon and the difference
of 3 drams thus secured will just realize five annas

8. It may be here added that everyw
including the Malnad Talukas, the recent
enhancement of the rates has produced no
falling off in the Revenue derived by
Government, but the reverse. The minimum
guarantee amount up to the end of February 188
viz: Rupees 7,47,083-5-4 has been exceeded by Rupee
2,60,449 as "Excess sales" on the duty realized - Rupe
10,07,532-11-5. In a trip of over 700 miles, no com
-plaints were received regarding the raising of the
price of the liquor in Talukas by the recent adoptio
of a uniform rate for the whole Province. The
Retail Vendors are unanimously of opinion that
the proposed reduction of the measures would not
materially affect the sales. They all appreciated
the boon contemplated of enhancing their income
and relieving them of the irksome & vexatious
payments made from the small income allowe
by Government for license fees. The burdens
now borne by the shopkeepers in the city and

* Recent enhancement of rates productive of enhanced Revenue & proposed changes absolutely needed as relief to Retail Vendors

Station are particularly heavy, and in the latter this small income has been further trenched on by heavy Municipal and Imperial taxes laid on, and the relief now proposed is absolutely needed to secure honest vending and the protection of Government and Public interests which are largely at stake in the matter. Details for the Fit and Station in this respect are given in a Note appended marked How the rates will be affected — The present wholesale rate is Rupees 4/6/4 per gallon all over the Province. This rate will be raised to Rupees 4/11/4 per gallon. The difference of five annas will be recovered by the Vendor from the Consumer, & paid to the Contractor when the liquor is purchased at a Depôt. The Retail Vendor will, by selling the Liquor at Rupees 5/5/- per gallon realize from the Public the difference of five annas then paid to the Contractor, and will secure to himself as his profits the full difference of nine annas. The eight pies between the wholesale and Retail prices will be utilized, after recovery from the Retail dealer by the Contractor, for paying for increased Government supervision over Retail shops, and for wastage in the Fit and Station of Bangalore. The Retail Vendor will thus be relieved of payment of any License fee and in the Town and Cantonment of Bangalore of the surcharge of 4 annas per gallon over sales of 60 gallons and 55 gallons respectively. These charges now paid by the Retail Dealer will hereafter properly fall on the consumer all over the Province. The co-operation of the Retail Vendors will be thus secured by giving them one anna and four pies more in the Districts than they now get (vide particulars noted below) In the Fit ~~and Station~~, it will be 3 annas and 9 pies, and in the Station four annas and 2 pies per gallon. The surcharge rates levied, heretofore, having been abolished in the District on 1st April /87 account for the contrast here apparent in

the

the remissions recommended for the two tracts.

Present rates

	Rs. a. p.
Wholesale rate per gallon	4-6-4
Vendor's costs and profits — (a)	0-9-8
Retail rate sold to the Public	5-0-0

(a)

	Rs. a. p.
	0-9-8
Deduct License fee	0-2-0
Net	0-7-8

Proposed rates

	Rs. a. p.
Wholesale rate per gallon	4-6-4
Add reduction of cups two minims	0-5-0
Reduction of rate of Retail vend per pai for increased Establishment	0-0-8
	0-5-9.
Proposed wholesale rate	4-12-0
Vendor's costs & profits — (b)	0-9-
Retail rate proposed	5-5-

(b) Rs. a. p.

	0-9-8
Deduct Establishment cess	0-0-8.
Nett rate (b)	0-9-0.
Old rate (a)	0-7-8.
Excess profit in proposed scheme to District Retail dealer	0-1-4.

Allotment of Profits. 10 The contractors from the five annas and eight pies thus realized from the Vendor will retain two annas to cover fluctuations in price of Jaggery and other exceptional charges incurred or anticipated during the incumbency of the current contract, and pay to Government the balance of three annas plus the eight pies realized from the Retail vendors' rate. In the City and Station of Bangalore, they will, after paying the License fee and the surcharge of four annas, get a little over half anna per gallon on the consumption there. The eight pies in the City and Station will be retained by the contractors in lieu of 'waitage'. From the remaining three annas derived one anna (in addition to the half anna now paid by them) plus the eight pies realized at the Retail rates, and an additional half anna on the City and Station consumption as advocated will be derived (1 anna per gallon Consumed)

City & Station

for providing additional Supervision Testers and Excise officers for the supervision of Retail shops and Depots and to increase the Detective staff. A statement giving the funds derivable and how they are to be utilized (marked A) and schedules of the proposed increase to the Excise staff, and the distribution thereof marked B and C are enclosed.

11. The remaining two annas it is proposed to make over to Government to recoup the State for License fees now realized from Retail Vendors.

12. In the Fort and Station, taking the average for the past three years, the Contractors will guarantee the payment of License fees on 55 Shops in the Station and 26 for the Fort at 15 Rupees per mensem, which will be paid to Government yearly and the average surcharge on "Excess sales" at four annas per gallon monthly as a fixed item of Revenue. Both the sums so realized will be subject to annual adjustment on actual results yearly.

13. The Contractors will, if the foregoing proposals are sanctioned, receive as per statement appended:—

	Rupees 30,069.
Government will get as Compensation for License fees and Excess sales	50,215.
For additional ~~District~~ Establishments	21,618.
Total Rupees	101,902.

Settlement of accounts & Budget allotments

14. In conclusion, it is suggested to obviate complication in Accounts, and enable Government Budgetted arrangements not being deranged, it would be advisable to alter conditions III (b) and X (b) & (c) and further direct the Contractor to pay the whole of the five annas and eight pies for City & Station under advertence into the Government Treasury monthly; and after paying for the Government cess for Establishments and compensation for

Lob.

The Special Asstt Com.

of 1st March 1900

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Memo: of the Special Assistant Commissioner, Abkari & Excise, relative to the reduction of the Retail Arrack measures to meet certain charges therein set forth.

Appendix E.

Cantonment

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	Rs – As – P
Average total Income per shop per month: —	69 – 13 – 2
Sundry expenses such as Income Tax, House Rent, Interest, Vendors Pay oil, grain, Cooly, Exchange and other contingent expenses.	Rs. As. P 22 – 13 – 11
License Fee: ———	15 – 0 – 0
Excess sales ———	14 – 9 – 8
	52 – 7 – 7
Average Net profit monthly: —	17 – 5 – 7

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Down

	Rs. As. P
Average total Income per month per shop: —	54 – 2 – 1
Sundry expenses detailed above except Income and Profession Tax	Rs – As – P 25 – 12 – 7
License Fee ———	15 – 0 – 0
Excess sales ———	13 – 8 – 2
	54 – 4 – 9
Average Net profit monthly:	19 – 13 – 4

A. Macmullin Lt. Col. Dy. Asst. Adjt. Gen. Bengal Special Asstt. Commr.

the arrack dram measure 1600 to 1500 Minims, and asking permission to introduce the measure to the Civil & Military Station of Bengal

(2)

Office of the Dewan of Mysore
Camp Mysore 16th April 188

forward at once

first draft

I have the honor to forward herewith copy of letter No 959 dated 14th ultimo from the Dy. Commr of Bangalore Distt, together with copies of its accompaniments, on the subject of a proposal for the reduction of the arrack drawn measure in order to provide funds for the increased cost of Establishments necessarily required in the interest of the abkari revenue, (b) to afford some relief to the contractors against the unexpected rise in the price of jaggery, to the retail whose present one is so small as to

and (c) to give ... increased profit ...

they have been obliged
to import liquor, molasses
and jaggery from the
Madras Presidency—
Under such circumstances
it is proposed to allow
them 13 annas 6 pies instead
of 12½ annas per gallon
for cost of manufacture.

Again, the Contractors
justly complain of the
present rule under which
no allowance is made
for wastage in respect of
liquor issued to the City
and the Civil & Military
Station. It is proved by
actual experience that
some wastage does occur
in the transmission of
liquor from the Distillery
to the wholesale Depots
and while storage thereon, and it seems equitable to allow them an allowance of 1 per cent will therefore be made hereafter to cover wastage.

Again Owing to the levy of heavy license fees and extra charge on excess sales, the income

of the retail vendor in
the City as in Bangalore
is very small as will
be seen from the figure
given in Statement E. letter
appended to the Dy Commrs
It is therefore proposed
to allow him a fair
margin of profit by
making a portion of the
license fees other
paid by him fall upon
the consumer.

66 With a view to provide
funds for giving the relief
required by No 6 the Contrac
and to the retail vendo
and to enable the
Durbar to effect other
necessary improvement
in the working of the
important branch of
revenue, it is proposed
to reduce the Dram measu
from 1600 minims to
1500 minims. The effect

regard to the effect of the proposed change
on Cotton & Mill Cloth, I would observe
- the present rate of Wholesale & retail
- are respectively Rs. 4. 6 : 4 2 Rs 5.
The difference of annas 2 8 Pies
gallon represents the Retail Vendors nominal
profits. But out of it he has to pay the Municipal
Licence fee of 2 annas per gallon, and
on Every gallon sold over & above 55 gallons
- month, he pays an Extra 4 annas, which
on an average is Equal to about 2 Annas &
Pies, on Every gallon throughout the year.
Thus the ~~Licensed~~ Retail Vendor pays back
~~the Municipality~~ 4 annas & 2 Pies out of the
annas 8 Pies, which he makes on Every Gallon.
in addition, ~~besides~~ an Income tax,
he also pays & a professional tax,
- other municipal taxes. Altogether his
income does not place him above
the temptations of resorting to dishonest
dealing to the serious detriment of
the Excise Revenue. It would be
well to lower the Wholesale price so as
to reimburse the Retail Vendor for the 4 annas
2 Pies ~~to~~ the Municipality as license fees &
on Extra Sales. But this arrangement will prove

— great disadvantage of requiring
a retail Vendor to make separate
payment to the Contractor & the
Municipality. The simplest plan
wd. be to abolish the license fee
as a separate levy & to levy it
Municipality in lieu thereof from the Retailer
Treasury & annas 2 Pies per
Gallon sold —

8. The rates I propose
to impose are as follows with ~~existing~~
~~Rates now existing~~ those now existing

	Present	Proposed
	R. A. P	R A P
Rate of Duty	3 - 5 - 0	~~3 - 5 - 0~~
Wholesale Price	4 - 6 - 4	4 - 12 - 0
Retail Price	5 - 0 - 0	5 - 5 - 0

The ~~New~~ arrangements required are
4. (a) The Contractor ~~will~~ pay to Govt.
per Imp Gallon issued, Rs 3 - 5 - 0
as duty plus Rs 0 - 5 - 2 : on account
of License fee & Establishment Cess -
total per Gallon Rs 3 - 10 - 2 ÷ This
leaves him for cost of Manufacture & profit

Rs 1-1-10 per Gallon aft. Rs 1-0-10 at present

(b) The Contractor shall be allowed wastage in issues @ Ces 2 Cs 2 % Statute at 1 per cent

(c) The fees paid by Retail Vendors of the Cis- tern, or licenses & on Extra Sales to be abolished as a Separate levy.

(d) The Govt. to pay from its Treasury to the Municipality 4 annas 2 Pies per Gallon sold in lieu of the fees to be abolished as per last preceding clause

(e) ~~The Govt will also provide a Statutory Establishment~~ Out of the extra 5 annas 2 Pies paid by the Contractor under Clause (a) of this para, one anna per Gallon to be treated as the Establishment Ces

f). The payments under clauses (d) & (e) above exhaust the whole of the Extra 5 annas & 2 Pies payable by the Contractor in addn to the Duty of Rs 3-5-0.

(g) The proportionate share of the Establishment being separately paid to the Durbar by the Residents' Treasy, the whole of the 5 annas & 2 Pies paid by the Contractor will be paid into the Residents' Treasy along with the Duty - Out of this the Resident will be able to give 4 annas 2 Pies to the Municy & Cantt

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[illegible] arrangements [illegible]

[illegible]

~~I beg that I should you affirm~~

~~the arrangements which [illegible]~~

I beg that nothing may be

given to the Durban to introduce

the changes proposed into

the Canal & Mid. States until

effect for 1st Jan 1888.

[signature]

16/4/88

The previous arrangements

appear to me to be

satisfactory & advantageous

in every point of view to

the Canal & the Companies

and [illegible]

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Trans. Regd. 24.

From

The Assistant to the
Resident.

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Dated Bangalore, 22d. June

SECTION Separation
FILE No. 40/1887-88
SERIAL No. 3

No 2078
2238.

26-6-88

Communicating the
sanction of the Resident,
the introduction into the
Civil and Judiciary Statio
of the changes consequent
on the Arrack drawn meas
being reduced from 1600 to
1500 minims &c.

See letter to Resident

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Camp Reg^d No 241
& 23-6-88

No. 2078
2238

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FROM

THE ASSISTANT TO THE RESIDENT IN MYSORE.

Reply submitted for signature & issue
28/6

To

The Dewan of Mysore

. . . . In reply to your letter № 3 of the 16th April 1888, forwardin for sanction of the Resident, so far as they affect the revenue of the Civil and Military Stati certain proposed alterations i the Mysore Abkari Administra tion, I am directed to say that the proposals appear to the Reside likely

likely to produce an increased revenue both to the Government of Mysore and of India, and to benefit the Contractors, vendors and public generally.

2. Sir Harry Prendergast is willing to accord his sanction to the introduction of the changes into the Civil and Military Station, but considers it necessary to ask that the Imperial Treasury may be guaranteed an annual Excise revenue not less than the budget income of the present year, viz. Rupees 3,03,400.

I don't think we can give this guarantee

	Rs
0. License fees —	800
Still head duty -	300,000
½ anna Establishment cess on arrack issued to Civil & Military Stations	2,600

3. I am to state with reference to certain details of the scheme that it is understood that the cost of

the new drain measures will be borne by the Vendors and that the shape of the new drain will be more convenient than the shape of the old measure.

4. It appears to the Resident that the most convenient way to adjust the refund of the Municipal taxes to the retail Vendors in the station will be an arrangement by which the Collector will submit to the Bunder direct the bills made out in the Vendors' names for registration fees yearly in advance, and for excess sales monthly, on the understanding that the bills will be paid at once by the Bunder leaving

any

See notes below -
If we pay them bills the amount paid should be an advance a/c. the Port Treasury to be adjusted by O. 4-2 received on every bottle issued from time to time. Such recoveries will be credited to the Bunder Trust - or rather Credit Port Trust with O. 5-2, & debit it with O. 4-2

my question as to the correctness of the amounts to be subsequently adjusted through the Resident's Treasury Officer.

5. In Conclusion, to put the proposals in a concise form, the Durbar will in future credit the Resident with the additional 5- as 8 p per gallon on all the arrack 20° U.P. consumed in the Civil and Military Station debiting the Treasury:-

(1) with the cost of the increased Establishment (estimated at one anna), and with

(2) the bills presented by the Collector for municipal charges - the registration fee and surcharge - (estimated at 4 as. 2 p per gallon);

no. W. he 0.5.2.

no. there has been no proportionate change. See a K. No 3224 of 4 Dec 1895 & 4 Dec 1886

no. we Commissioners undertake the payment of Bills, Calculated at 2 annas per gallon sold throughout year + 4 pies to annas per 2 gallons above 55 sold in each month. Bills made up on this basis were represented +

+ or the more or less than 4 as. 2 per gallon which is ~~not~~ the amt. secured - The proposed arrangement is one whereby Mr Campbell pays for its ~~Rights~~ licence fees.

This is no separate payment to the Contractor - Can be deleted

(3.) Compensation to the Contractor for rise in the price of jaggory at 6 pies per gallon, and

This is not included in the 0.5.2 but is given to the Contr as an allowance on issues - i.e. if we issue 100 gallons he pays Rs (35.0 + 0-5-2) only on 94 Gallons - It can be deducted.

(4) the loss by wastage conceded to the Contractors at 1 p.c. per gallon issued, estimated at 6 pies -

Rs. 0-1-0
2-2
.6
6
0.2
6-pies-Rs
5-8

The 6 pie cess formerly paid by the Contractors on account of Establishment will now cease.

6. In considering the various alterations of the Contract that have now been sanctioned and the proposed changes in Establishment, it would be well to furnish the Resident with a brief outline of the reorganized Abkari administration

administration for future reference.

I have the honour to be,

Sir

Your most obedient Servant.

H. D. Wedderburn

Assistant to the Resident.

H.L.

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To The Resident.

Dy. 26th June 1888
Desp. 28th do —

SECTION Dep Rev
FILE No. 4 of 1887-88
SERIAL No. 4

Reply to Resident's No 7.
Despatch 28 June 88
Letter No 2653 dated 22 June 1888

Replying to his letter No 2078/2238 dated 22nd June/88 regarding changes in consequence of the proposed reduction of the Arrack Drawn Measure.

Vide D.O. to Resident
Replied to - Vide Letter

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Office of the Dewan of Mysore
Camp Mysore, 26th June 1888
Despatched 28th —do—

207. fair draft

To The Resident in Mysore.

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your Office letter No $\frac{207d}{2238}$ dated the 22d instant regarding certain proposed alterations for the management of the Arrack Revenue of the Civil and Military Station of Bangalore

2. Adverting to para 5 of the letter under acknowledgment, I append below a brief Statement of the way in which the proposed alterations affect the Station Excise Revenue.

Present per Gallon			
Receipts – 1. Duty	3	5	.
2. Establisht Cess	0	.	6
Total Receipts	3	5	6
Deduct.			
Charges against Receipts			
Proportionate share of Establishment cost (Estimate)			6
Balance, being Net receipts	3	5	0

Proposed per Gallon			
Receipts – 1. Duty	3	5	.
2. Establisht Cess	0	1	0
3. Cess in lieu of License fees	0	4	2
Total Receipts	3	10	2
Deduct – Charges against Receipts,			
1. Proportionate share of Establisht cost	0	1	0
2 Payment to Municipality in lieu of license fees	0	4	2
Balance being	.	5	2
Balance, being Net Receipts	3	5	.

3. It will thus be seen that the revised arrangements under contemplation do not involve any alteration of the amount of the Net Receipts or Excise duty, namely, Rs 3-5-0 per Gallon.

4. The Contractor now pays the Durbar Rs 3-5-0 + 0-0-6 per gallon and this payment is transferred to the British Treasury. Hereafter the Contractor will pay

Rs 3·5·0 + 0·5·2 per gallon and this is the amount payable by the Durbar into the British Treasury and not Rs 3·5·0 + 0·5·8 as is apparently assumed in the first part of para 5 of your Office letter.

5. The appearance of 6 pies between the two calculations is due probably to the concession on account of wastage (clause 4 of para 5 of your letter). But this concession is not an actual payment from the Treasury by way of refund, but merely a remission of duty levied upon one gallon for every 100 issued.

6. The increased profit to the Contractor (clause 3 of para 5 of your letter) is also no payment from the Treasury, but is due to

to the greater difference between Wholesale price received by the Contractor and the payment he makes to the Government.

7. Thus $\frac{\text{ans. p.}}{5 - 2}$ which the Contractor pays over and above the Excise duty of Rs 3-5-0, Consists only of two items, namely.

1 anna on account of Establishment,

and 4 annas 2 pies on account of Registration and Surcharge fees.

8. The Durbar is, of course prepared to pay into the Residents' Treasury the Whole of what it receives on account of the Arrack issued for consumption in the Civil & Military Station, that is to say, Rs 3-5-0 + 0-5-2. on every gallon issued subject to 1 per cent allowance on account of wastage. The Simplest plan would be for the

Resident's Treasury,

1st To credit Rs 3.5.0
to Excise Revenue as
duty.

2dly To credit 1 anna &
Establishment Cess,
debiting the same with
the proportionate cost
of Establishment
under your office letter
No 3229/1995.
dated 4th Decr
1886.

and 3dly To hand over &
the Municipality
4 annas & 2 pies in
lieu of Registration
& Surcharge fees.

9. If instead of this,
the Durbar have to
pay upon Bills the
Registration fees in
advance for the year,
they would have to
pay earlier than they
themselves receive.
This perhaps is a small

matter to which no
importance need be
attached. But I am
not quite sure what
final adjustment is
intended of payments
in Bills on account
of Registration and
Surcharge fees- If
in Mysore accounts
the Resident's Treasury
were credited with these
payments, and credited
with 4 annas 2 pies
per gallon, any difference
might readily be adjusted
by an actual payment
at the end of the year.
Such a course may
however be found to
involve complications
in the accounts between
the Resident's Treasury
and the Station Muni-
cipality - It would
seem far more convenient
to abolish the Registration

and Surcharge fee as
a separate levy, and
give the Municipality
in lieu thereof a fixed
payment of annas 4
pies 2 per gallon issued
for consumption within
their limits.

10. In conclusion I
would request your
reconsideration of the
proposal for a guarantee
that the Imperial Reve
shall not be less than
Rs 3,03,400 per annum.
The Contractor, it is true
has guaranteed to the
Durbar a minimum
Revenue. Originally, I
proposed that some
proportionate minimum
guarantee might be
fixed for the Civil &
Military Station, but
Mr Lyall was of opinion
that it was unnecessa
to have any such

guarantee from the Contractor and preferred to receive the total Excise Revenue actually realized, without any reduction whatsoever by way of refunds to the Contractor. The interests of the Dunbar & the Station are identical as regards the proper working of a sound administration of the Excise Revenue. The present flourishing condition of this item of the Station Revenue is in no small measure due to the equalization of rates of Excise duty throughout the Province recently adopted by the Dunbar upon its own motion. The abolition of Registration & Surcharge fees now proposed, is a measure calculated to secure complete uniformity throughout the Province and may

therefore be expected to have a beneficial effect upon the Revenue of the Station. Under such circumstances, the Durbar apprehend no financial risk in giving the guarantee now asked for. But at the same time, such a guarantee seems to be somewhat incons-tent with the mutual relations of the two Governments in the matter of the Excise Administration, however suitable it might be when given by a Contract to the two Governments in the proportion of their respective Revenues.

11. The alternatives now proposed are not intended for the exclusive benefit of the Revenue of the Durb

but are calculated also to improve the Station Revenue to a material extent. Already the Station benefits by the Contractor's guarantee which is paid for by the Durbar alone, and I hope that under the circumstances, you will be able to waive the guarantee from the Durbar proposed in para 2 of your letter under reply.

I have &c

Dewan.

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Office of the Dewan of Mysore
Camp Mysore, 26th June 18
Desp. 28th do

No. 7.

First draft

SECTION Sep Revs
FILE No.
SER'AL No.

To
The Resident in Mysore

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter No. 2028 2238 of the 22nd instant requesting a proposal for certain proposed alterations for the management of the Arrack Revenue of the Civil & Military Station of Bangalore & adverting to para 25 of the letter under acknowledgement I have to the same I append below a brief statement of the ways in which the proposed alterations affect the Station Excise Revenue.

Present per Gallon

Receipts
1 Duty . . 3 . 5 .
2 Contingent . . 0 . 0 .
Total 3 . 5 .

Deduct
Charges of Receipts
1 Proportion of Contingent 0 . 0

Balance being Net Receipts 3 . 5

Proposed per Gallon

Receipts
1. Duty 3 . 5 . 0
2 Contingent 0 . 1 . 0
3 Carriage & Establishment fees 0 . 4 . 2
Total receipts 3 . 10 . 2

Deduct
Charges of Receipts
1. Proportion of Contingent 0 . 1 . 9
2. Carriage & Establishment fees 0 . 4 . 8
0 . 5 . 2

Net Balance being Net Receipts

3- It will thus be seen that ~~the amt recovered from the Contractor per Gallon is at the proposed alteration does not affect the net Revenue to the Imperial Treasury under~~ the revised arrangements under Contemplation ~~do~~ not involve any alteration of the amount of the ~~Excise Duty~~ net Receipts or Excise Duty ~~per Gallon~~ - namely Rs 3. 5-0 per Gallon - ~~But~~ The Contractor now pays the Durbar Rs 3. 5. 0 + 0. 0 6 (per Gallon. & this payment is transferred by the D. Trg Hereafter the Contractor will pay Rs 3. 5. 0 + 0. 5. 2 per gallon and this ~~Durbar will transfer it to the British Treas.~~ is the amount payable by the Durbar into the British Treasury and not Rs 3. 5. 0 + 0. as is apparently assumed in the first part of para 5 of the Office letter.

5- ~~Again it cannot not be possible~~

5- ~~It is probable that~~ The difference of 6 Pies between the two Calculations is probably due to Concession on account of Wastage (Clause 4 of para 5 of the letter. ~~The allowance on account of Wastage is not~~ The allowance on account of Wastage is not retained by the Durbar but is paid to the Treasury ~~Thus~~ by way of refund ~~It is made by~~ remittance

of Duty as upon 1 Gallon for Every 100 issued.

6 - The Price to be paid by the Contractor (Cl. 3 of Para 5 of Letter) is also no payment for the Licensing but is due to the Greater difference between Wholesale Price & that the Contractor pays & the Price he makes for Ext.

7 - The Rs 5 : 2 which the Contractor pays over & above the Excise duty of Rs 3-5-0 per Gallon consists of two Items

1. Viz. 1 anna on account of Ext
2. 4 annas 2 Pies on account of Licensing & Charges fees.
3. Cartage

8. The Durbar is prepared to pay into the Residency the whole of what it receives on account of the Arrack issued for Consumption in the C. & M. States that is to say Rs 3-5-0 + 0-5-2 on Every Gallon issued subject to 1% allowance on account of wastage - The simplest plan would be for

Govt Treasury
To credit Rs. 3. 5. 0 to Excise Revenue
To credit Amount to Establishment Cess,
debiting the same with the proportionate
Cost of Estt. under Govt. Memo letter
No. 3229/1995 dated 4 Dec 1886
" hand over to the Municipality
4 annas & 2 Pies in lieu of
Regn & Surcharge fees —.

If instead of this, the Dealers have to
buy the Regn fees in advance from the Govt
~~the Surcharge fees monthly~~, they would
have to pay rather than they themselves
receive. This perhaps is a small matter
which no importance need be attached
But I am not quite sure what final
adjustment is intended of ~~Govt cash~~ payments on Bills
- after of Regn & Surcharge fees — If in buying the
the Resident Treasury were debited with their
payments, ~~Credits in Govt its favour~~ and
Credited with 4 annas 2 Pies per Gallon,
any difference might reasonably be adjusted by an
actual payment at the End of the year.
Such a Course may however be found to
involve Complications ~~as between~~
~~the~~ the Govt accts between the Residents Treasury
& the Station Municipality — It
would seem far more convenient to
abolish the Regn & Surcharge fees as a separate
levy, and to give the Municipality in lieu thereof

a fixed payment of
Rupees 4 Rs 2 per Gallon
issued for Consumption
within this limit.

10. In Conclusion I would
request your reconsideration
of the proposal to
guarantee ~~to the Durbar~~
that the Imperial Revenue
shall not be less than
Rs. 3,03,400 per annum.
The Contractor ~~has bound~~
~~himself~~ has guaranteed to
Durbar a minimum Rev-
enue. Originally it provided that
such minimum guarantee
might be fixed from time to
time, but upon reconsideration
it was decided that it
was unnecessary and
was agreed preferred to
receive the total actual
Excise Rev actually realized
without any reduction
whatsoever. What is
now asked amounts
to the substitution
of a fixed guarantee

(I have also made
guarantee from the
Contractor)

(by way of appeal
to the Contractor)

from the Durban in the
place of one from the
Contractor. The interests
of the Durban & the Station
are identical as regards
~~the & Also Such~~ be the
proper working of a Sound
~~System of~~ Action of the Electric
Rod. The present flourishing
Condition of this Station & the Station Rod.
~~of the Station~~ is in no
small measure due to
the Equalization of rates of Electric Light
throughout the Province recently
adopted by the Durban
upon its own motion.
The abolition of Regn of _____ now proposed
Surcharge fees is a measure
~~of this~~ Calculated ~~to~~
to secure Complete Uniformity
throughout the Province
& May therefore be expected to have a beneficial Effect
~~& benefit~~ the Rev of the
Stations — under such as
the Durban Apprehend
no financial risk ~~from~~
~~but~~ in giving the Guarantee
now asked for. But at
~~the~~ the same time
~~they are of opinion~~

such a Guarantee seems to them to be somewhat inconsistent with the mutual relations of the two Govts in the matter of the Excise Clause, wherein suitable it might be when given by a Contractor to the two Govts in the proportion of their respective Revenues.

The alterations now proposed are not intended for the exclusive benefit of the Rev. of the Durbar; the Durbar already pays for the Contractors' Guarantee to them: the Guarantee benefits the Station Rev as much the Durbar Rev, since the Station does not pay for it

but are calculated also to the Station Rev. to a material extent, whereas the Station bears the Contractors' Guarantee to the Durbar which is paid for by the Durbar alone.

~~a Guarantee by the Dr to~~ under the Rs

the Govt under which we are will be able to waive the Guarantee from the Durbar proposed in para 2 of yr letter under reply.

Yours

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To

The Resident

Dy. 26th June/88.

Despt 22nd do.

No. 7.

Replying to his letter No 2078/2238 dy 22nd June/88. regarding changes in consequence of the proposed reduction of the Arrack Drawback measure.

Vide P.C. & Revenue Proceedings 6 — Vide letter from Resident dy 8th Augt/88 No 2238 dy 22nd Augt/88

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D. to Resident

Dated 8th August 1888

SECTION Sep Rev
FILE No. 40 1887-88
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regarding duties, fee and Exchange in City and Station of Bangalore

Vide letter from Mysore Residency
No 3853 dt 31 Oct 1888
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Bangalore
8th August 1888.

My dear Sir,

With reference to our conversation the other day regarding the Registration and Surcharge fees payable to the Station Municipality by the Retail vendors of arrack, after giving the subject my best consideration, I would recommend for adoption the arrangement described in para 4 of the accompanying memorandum. It would satisfy the law as it now stands and the Municipality would have no reasonable ground for complaint.

The Excise law of the Station and of Lepore should be the same and we might take advantage of the fact that

certain recent changes have been introduced into British India, to make our law uniform and more satisfactory than it at present is. On this subject I hope to be able to address you officially within the next few days.

Yours very Sincerely
(signed) K. Sheshadri Iyer.

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Memorandum.

The question discusse
the other day at the
Residency related to
the law under which
the Municipality of the
Civil and Military Stati
now levies from each
Retail vendor of arrack
a Registration fee of Rs 18
per annum, plus 4 annas
on every gallon sold ove
and above 55 gallons
a month.

2. The Registration fee
of Rs 180 per annum is
levied under the authori
of Section 58 of the Muni-
-cipal Regula
Same fee is

in the City of Bangalore under the same authority. This fee cannot be abo- -lished without an alteration of the Section, which requires the sanction of the Govt of India.

3. As regards the levy of 4 annas per gallon on sales above 55 gallons there is no authority for it in the Municipal Regulation, and the Municipality is not entitled to it in strict law. It is virtually a portion of the Excise Revenue: the authority for its levy being under Clause (b), Section 55, of the Excise Act. The way to look at the matter is as follows:-

Retail licenses are granted by the Collector under Section 13 of the Excise Act; and under Sec 55, Clause (b), a fee is levied at 4 annas per gallon sold over and above 55 gallons a month. This levy under the Excise Act on extra sales was made over by Government to the Municipality; 10 or 15 years ago, as an addition to their sources of income under the Municipal Regulation. A chan for the improvement of the status of the Retail Vendors is now considered necessary, and it is proposed to

take from them, through
e Contractors, 4 annas
nd 2 pies per gallon sold
: him of the Registration fee
nd the section Extra Sales — sales -

4. Under such circumstances,
nding the alteration of
ection 58 of the Muni-
ipal Regulation which
ill take some time,
would arrange as follows: —

a). ~~The Contractors will~~
~~up at once Rs 100 per~~
~~tail shop and the amount~~
~~realized will be paid~~
~~the Municipality as~~
~~egistration fees under~~
~~ection 58 of the Muni-~~
~~ipal Regulations~~, the
egistration Certificates, ~~being~~ with be
ent to the Dy. Commissioner
Bangalore by the Station
unicipality for distribution among Retail Vendors.
fter recovery of the prescribed fees
nder S. 58 of the Municip

The Dy. Comr Bangalore will thereupon at once remit to the Municipality the aggregate amount of Rents, advanced by the Municipality to the Contractor.

(b). The Contractors will be charged with 4 Anna and 2 pies per every gallon issued from Wholesale Depôts, and credit given to them for payments made under clause (a).

(c). The total realizatio under clause (b) minu the Registration fees under clause (a) will b made over to the Munic -ipality in lieu of the fee on Extra sales (Surcharge fees) now en -joyed by it.

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Original draft

memo

The question discussed the other day at the Residency on related to the laws under which the Municipal ~~of the Cantonment Station Bd (the Station Staff Officer (Cattle Reg. fee~~ levy a license fee of Rs ~~5~~ 180 a month plus ~~4 annas~~ of the Civil & Mil'y Station now levies from Each Retail Vendor of Arrack a ~~license fee~~ registration fee of Rs. 180 per annum plus 4 annas on Every gallon sold over & above 55 Gallons a month.

The Registration fee of Rs 180 per annum is levied under the authority

of S. 58 of the Municipal
Regn. The same
fee is also levied in
the City of Bangalore under
the same authority.

This fee cannot be
abolished without an
alteration of the Sections,
which requires the sanction
of Govt of India.

As regards the levy
of 4 annas per Gallon
on Sales above 55
Gallons, there is no
authority for it in
the Municipal Regn,
and the Municipality
is not entitled to it in
strict law. It is virtually
a portion of the Excise Revenue
the authority for it, is
under clause (b) Section
55 of the Excise Act.
The way to look at the

This levy under Excise act on Ex Sales has been made over by Govt to the Municipalities

because when the Municipality of Retail Shops was revised by Govt & the Municipality complained of the consequent loss of Revenue from Municipal fees under S. 58 Mun. Regn, the Govt imposed the fee on Exfactory Sales and granted the income therefrom to the Municipality as Compensation

No further change in Excise Manner

(Vide 10 or 15 yrs ago as an addn to their Sources of income under the Mun. Regn

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A further change in the Improvement of the States is now considered necessary and it is proposed to take from them through the Contractors Annas 4 & Pies 2 per Gallon sold -

matter is as follows :-

Retail licenses are granted by the Collector under S. 13 Excise Act and under S. 55 clause (1) a fee is levied at 4 annas per Gallon sold over & above 55 Gallons a month. In addition to this the Retail vendors pay to the Municipality a Regn fee of Rs 1820 - per year under S. 58 of the Municipal Regn

Under such circs pending the alteration of S. 58 of the Municipal Regn which will take some time I would arrange as follows :-

Pay to the Municipality

(a) Let the Contractor will pay at
rate Rs 1820 per Retail Shop
& the Amount so realized
be paid to the Municipality
as Regn fees under S. 58 Mysore Regn II the Regn
Cert fees being sent to the
Dep Comr Of Bangalore by the
Munsr. for distribution after re
payments of the prescribed fees

(b) The Contractor will be
charged with 4 annas
2 Pies per every Gallon
issued from Wholesale Depots,
and credit given to him
for payments made under clause (a)

(c) The total realizations under clauses
(b) minus the Regn fees
under clause (a) will be
made over to the Municipality
in lieu of the fee on Extra Sales
(Surcharge fees) now Enjoyed
by it.

To CR 525 5/11/88

(General Serial No. 31)

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From The Assistant to the Resident in Singapore

To

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Received 8 MAY 1888

Enclosures No.

General No. 3653

No. 2238

SECTION Public

FILE No. 4 of 1887

SUB No. 6

Re proposed alteration in the Mohammedan Quarter of the Cantonment Station, Bengalore.

Replied - Vide

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No. 3653 / 2238

FROM

THE ASSISTANT TO THE RESIDENT IN MYSORE.

To

The Dewan of Mysore

Dated, Bangalore, 31st October 1888.

SIR,

In reply to your letter No: 7 dated 20th June and Memo: of 8th August 1888, I am directed by the Resident to say that in view of the desire on the part of the Durbar to introduce the proposed alterations in the management of the Akkari Revenue of the Coast and Malnad Districts

before 30th June, the Resident was willing to accept the proposals without reference to the Government of India, assuming only that the Imperial Treasury should be guaranteed against loss. The Resident further proposed an arrangement by which the dues levied by the Municipality of Registration Fee and Surcharge from the Retail Vendors might be practically abolished without requiring the amendment of Section 58 of the Municipal Regulations.

2- I am now to state that the Resident though he is not convinced that advantage will be gained by their adoption, will have much pleasure in submitting for the consideration of the Government of India, two proposals to increase the retail price of arrack by decreasing the drum measure, as well as the suggestion for devoting the increased revenue to allowing a larger proportion of profit to the Contractors, retail Vendors and to Strengthening the preventive

establishment.

3- With reference to the proposal to abolish the levy of Registration fees and Surcharge fees and to substitute a Cess of A. 4-2 per gallon to be transferred to the Municipality in lieu of the above fees. I am to point out that there are Considerable difficulties both in suggesting a satisfactory amendment of Section 58 of the Municipal Regulations, and in proposing the imposition of a new Cess which should be separate and distinct

from the duty and Cess leviable as Excise under the Excise Act.

4. I am to ask the Durbar to Consider whether it would not be preferable, in place of abolishing the Registration and Surcharge fees, to leave in the hands of the Municipal Vendors a Corresponding increase in profit as a provision to meet the Municipal Charges. This might be effected by raising the wholesale prices of arrack within the Municipalities to Rs 4-7-10 only instead of Rs 4-12-0.

So far as the Resident is aware the only objection to this suggestion is that there would be two rates, prices, one for the District and the other for the Municipality, but this does not appear to the Resident to involve so much inconvenience as the proposal to ask for an amendment of the Municipal Regulations and the imposition of a new Municipal Cess.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient Servant.

O. Mackenzie

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From The Dewan.

To The Resident in Mysore.

Dated 5th December 1888

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General No. 29

No. 1038 2238

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Accepting the proposal to alter the wholesale price of arrack in the C. & M. Station of Bangalore from Rs. 4. 12. 0. to Rs 4. 7. 10.

I have the honour

Office of the Dewan of Mysore
Camp Mysore. 5th Decr/88

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To

The Resident in Mysore.

Sir,

I am acknowledging the receipt of your Office letter No 3653/2238 dy 31st October 1888. I have the honor to state that the Durbar is willing, under the circs, accept the alternative proposal made in para 4 of that letter, whereby the Wholesale price of Arrack is to be raised to only Rs 4.7.10 per Gallon instead of Rs 4.12.0 as originally proposed by me - The increase of Rs 4.7.10 only ~~the Retail Vendor~~ will also be adopted in the City of Bangalore - Under this arrangement the Retail Vendor will continue to pay direct to the Municipality Fees for licenses, as well as on Extra Sales.

(in the C. & M. Station)

2. For Convenience of reference I note below the

rates according to the various proposals which have been made

	Civil and Native Station & City of Bangpet			Throughout the rest of the Province.	
	Present.	Proposed by Durbar.	Altered & finally sanctioned	Present.	Proposed & finally adopted by Durbar.
Duty	3.5.0	3.5.0	3.5.0	3.5.0	3.5.0 ✓
Estt-Chrs.	0.0.6	0.1.0	0.1.0	0.0.6	0.3.2 ✓
License fees	✻ —	0.4.2	✻ —	0.2.0	0.2.0 ✓
Total	3.5.6	3.10.2	3.6.0 ✓	3.7.6	3.10.2 ✓
Add Contractors' Profit	1.0.10	1.1.10	1.1.10 ✓	1.0.10	1.1.10
Wholesale Price	4.6.4	4.12.0	4.7.10 ✓	4.8.4	4.12.0 ✓
Retail Vendors' Profit	0.9.8 ✻	0.9.0	0.13.2 ✻ ✻	0.7.8	0.9.0
~~Retail Price~~ Retail Price.	5.0.0	5.5.0	5.5.0 ✓	5.0.0	5.5.0 ✓

✻ Retail Vendor now pays & will hereafter continue to pay direct to the Municipality fees on licenses & Extra Sales, and these are an average amt. of 0.4.2 per Gallon, and to this extent the "Retail Vendors' profits" above are reduced.

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in the C. & M. Statement

3. The arrangements to which your formal sanction is now required are

(1) The reduction of the drum measure to 1500 minims from 1600 minims, that is to $\frac{1}{51}$ from $\frac{1}{48}$ of an Imperial Gallon.

(2) The increase of Wholesale price per gallon from Rs. 4. 6. 4 to Rs 4. 7. 10, and of the Retail price from Rs 5. 0. 0 to Rs 5. 1. 0.

4. The Duty of Rs. 3-5-0 per Gallon & the increased Estt. Cess of 1 anna per Gallon will be Credited to Imp. Treasury, leaving for your Consideration & decision any increased Estt required for the Civil & Medical Stations.

I will only add that with Wholesale purchase rates for H.Qrs & the Mofussil, it is all the more necessary to have a strong supervising Estt. to prevent loss of Revenue and illicit sales at low rates. Such as is provided for in the Schedule above.

5. I request an early reply

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to this letter so as to enable me to give effect to the Revised Scheme as early as possible, and I shall by & bye ~~do~~ forward separately some suggestions for a satisfactory adjustment of the Municipal income from Excise.

5/12/05

(General Serial No. 30.)

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SECRETARIAT OF MYSORE

1889.

From The Asst to the Resident in Mysore.

To

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Dated 26—3—89

Despatched

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Enclosures No.

General No. 1038

No. 2238

Intimating the Govt of India sanction "as an experimental measure" to the changes proposed to be introduced in the Abkarry System of the Chief Commr Bangalore & requesting to be informed when the Bombay Govt will be able for carry effect to the revised scheme

Forwarded as requested for early submission of the scheme elaborated in all details. By order

R Meysenbug

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FROM

THE ASSISTANT TO THE RESIDENT IN MYSORE.

To

The Dewan of Mysore.

Dated, Bangalore, 26th March 1889.

SIR,

Papers are with Dw. Narasimha Row

With reference to Correspondence ending with your letter No: 20 dated 5th December 1888, I am directed by the Resident to say that the Government of India sanction, as an experimental measure the changes which it is proposed to introduce in the Abkari System of the Civil and Military Station of Bangalore, and to request that you will be so good as to inform me when you will be able to arrange for giving effect to the revised scheme.

2. The Collector and Superintendent of Excise Revenue, Civil and Military Station, Bangalore has been requested to frame an Estimate of the Preventive establishment required under the new System for the Civil and Military Stations.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedt. Servt

Yeolin.

Assistant to the Resident

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Sir

The file was sent Mr. Page on a requisition from him about two months back.

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The Agent Madr. - Put up the file — Ask Lakkaraju Rao also

MrK 13/6/92

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From Hse Excise (

in Clls.

To The Chief Secretary to the Govt. of Fort St. George.

Dated 3rd June 1892.

Despatched 5

Received

Enclosures No. ——

General No. 1395

No. 65

Has the honor to request that the papers as per margin c may be kindly sent for reference, as they are urgently needed to dispose of certain claims put forward by the late Arrack Contractors, in connection with the revision of rates effected when the Drawback was reduced from 48 t drams per Gallon.

I have the honor to be, Sir, Your most obedient servant,

S Mukerji

Excise Commissioner

No 1873/2238 dy 7/6/89 From Asst Resident

— 1038/2238 dy 26/3/89 — do —

— 20 dy 5/12/88 To Do

— 3653/2238 dy 31/10/88 From Do

D. C. dated 8/8/88 To — Do (with Dewan's memo)

— 7 dy 26/6/88. To Asst Resident

— 2078/2238 dy 28/6/88 From Do

— 3 dy 16/4/88 To Do

— 959 dy 14/3/87 From Dy Commr., Bangalore with memo by Special Asst and — appendices A to E.

Th: Mudr

Are these papers here? If not, let this be sent to Mr. Anantaswami Rao at once. MrK 7/6/92

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From

To The Excise Comm
in Mysore

Dated 28th June 1892
Despatched 29th
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Enclosures No. as per margin

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No 1073/2238 of 7.6.89 from Asst Asst
" 1078/2238 of 26.8.89 from — do —
" 20 of 5.12.88 To — do —
" 3653/2238 of 31.10.88 from — do
Do dated 8/8/88 To — do with Enclosures
7 of 26.6.88 To Resident
2078/2238 of 22.6.88 from — do —
" 3 of 16.4.88 To — do
959 of 14.3.89 from Asst Commr Bangalore with Enclosures by Upl Asst and Abstract A to E.

As requested in his
No 1395/65 of 3d June 1892,
I have the honor to forward
the papers marginally
noted and to request that
they may be returned
after taking copies.
~~when no longer required.~~

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most obedient servant

Draft

28/6/92
Under Secretary

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From The Exc

To The Chief Secretary to
Govt

Dated 5th
Despatched 6 July 1892.
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Enclosures No. 1 file

General No. 139
No 9

The Chief Secretary's No. 55/73/518,
dated 28th June 1892.

Has the honor to return here
with the file of Correspondence receive
with the above, regarding one per cent
wastage on issues of Arrack to the Civil
and Military Station, claimed by the
late Arrack Contractors, Messrs C
Papamiah & Co.

Excise Commissioner

D

Rev.

Where is the refee. abt. th
wastage Question? MRW

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